

CLAIMS:

1. A water-in-oil emulsion, comprising an aqueous phase dispersed in an oily phase with the aid of a silicone emulsifier, wherein:

5 (1) said aqueous phase is present in an amount of at least 80 % by weight relative to the total weight of said oil-in-water emulsion;

(2) said oily phase and said emulsifier are present in a weight ratio of said oily phase to said emulsifier greater than or equal to 5; and

10 (3) said emulsifier is a dimethicone copolyol comprising only oxyethylene groups as oxyalkylene groups.

2. A composition, comprising, in a physiologically acceptable medium, an aqueous phase dispersed in an oily phase with the aid of a silicone emulsifier, wherein:

15 (1) said aqueous phase is present in an amount of at least 80 % by weight relative to the total weight of said composition;

(2) said oily phase and said emulsifier are present in a weight ratio of said oily phase to said emulsifier greater than or equal to 5; and

20 (3) said emulsifier is a dimethicone copolyol comprising only oxyethylene groups as oxyalkylene groups.

3. The composition according to Claim 2, which has a viscosity, measured using a Rheomat 180 viscometer at a shear rate of 200 s^{-1} and at 25°C , ranging from $0.15 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$ to $20 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$.

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4. The composition according to Claim 2, which comprises at least 70 %
water relative to the total weight of the composition.

5 5. The composition according to Claim 2, wherein said emulsifier is present
in an amount ranging from 0.5 % to 6 % by weight relative to the total weight of the
composition.

10 6. The composition according to Claim 2, wherein said oily phase is present
in an amount ranging from 10 % to 18 % by weight relative to the total weight of the
composition.

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15 7. The composition according to Claim 2, said oily phase and said emulsifier
are present in a weight ratio of said oily phase to said emulsifier greater than or equal
to 8.

8. The composition according to Claim 2, wherein said oily phase comprises
one or more volatile silicone oils.

20 9. A method for treating, protecting, caring for, removing make-up from
and/or cleansing the skin, the lips and/or the hair, and/or for making up the skin
and/or the lips, said method comprising:

applying a composition, comprising, in a physiologically acceptable medium,
an aqueous phase dispersed in an oily phase with the aid of a silicone emulsifier,
wherein:

(1) said aqueous phase is present in an amount of at least 80 % by weight relative to the total weight of said composition;

(2) said oily phase and said emulsifier are present in a weight ratio of said oily phase to said emulsifier greater than or equal to 5; and

5 (3) said emulsifier is a dimethicone copolyol comprising only oxyethylene groups as oxyalkylene groups.

to the skin, the lips and/or the hair of a subject in need thereof.

10 10. The method of Claim 9, wherein said composition has a viscosity, measured using a Rheomat 180 viscometer at a shear rate of 200 s^{-1} and at 25°C , ranging from $0.15 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$ to $20 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$.

15 11. The method of Claim 9, wherein said composition comprises at least 70 % water relative to the total weight of the composition.

12. The method of Claim 9, wherein said emulsifier is present in an amount ranging from 0.5 % to 6 % by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

20 13. The method of Claim 9, wherein said composition comprises said oily phase in an amount ranging from 10 % to 18 % by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

14. The method of Claim 9, wherein in said composition said oily phase and said emulsifier are present in a weight ratio of said oily phase to said emulsifier

greater than or equal to 8.

15. The method of Claim 9, wherein in said composition said the oily phase comprises one or more volatile silicone oils.

16. A method for treating, protecting, caring for, removing make-up from, making up, and/or cleansing greasy skin, said method comprising:

applying a composition, comprising, in a physiologically acceptable medium, an aqueous phase dispersed in an oily phase with the aid of a silicone emulsifier, wherein:

(1) said aqueous phase is present in an amount of at least 80 % by weight relative to the total weight of said composition;

(2) said oily phase and said emulsifier are present in a weight ratio of said oily phase to said emulsifier greater than or equal to 5; and

(3) said emulsifier is a dimethicone copolyol comprising only oxyethylene groups as oxyalkylene groups.

to greasy skin of a subject in need thereof.

17. The method of Claim 16, wherein said composition has a viscosity, measured using a Rheomat 180 viscometer at a shear rate of 200 s^{-1} and at 25°C , ranging from $0.15 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$ to $20 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$.

18. The method of Claim 16, wherein said composition comprises at least 70 % water relative to the total weight of the composition.

19. The method of Claim 16, wherein said emulsifier is present in an amount ranging from 0.5 % to 6 % by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

5 20. The method of Claim 16, wherein said composition comprises said oily phase in an amount ranging from 10 % to 18 % by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

10 21. The method of Claim 16, wherein in said composition said oily phase and said emulsifier are present in a weight ratio of said oily phase to said emulsifier greater than or equal to 8.

22. The method of Claim 16, wherein in said composition said the oily phase comprises one or more volatile silicone oils.

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